

Indiana State Excise Police News Release

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Indiana State Excise Police serve search warrant on Kokomo bootlegger

Kokomo -Officers with the State Excise Police, assisted by members of the Howard County Drug Task Force, Howard County Sheriff's Dept. and Indiana State Police, executed a search warrant Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 2451 N. Buckeye St. This was the result of a two month investigation by the State Excise Police and the Kokomo City Street Crimes Unit into illegal activity taking place in a detached garage behind the residence.

Officers received information that the owner of the residence, Bobby W. Wade, 50, was selling alcoholic beverages without a proper alcoholic beverage permit. Officers also received information that Wade was selling prescription drugs at the location.

On Tuesday night at approximately 6:40 p.m., officers arrested Wade on charges of Maintaining a Common Nuisance, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Sale of Alcoholic Beverages Without a Permit and Unauthorized Dealings in Alcoholic Beverages. Another male, Bradford K. Woodruff, who was at the garage at the time, was arrested and charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance. Both men were transported to and incarcerated at the Howard County Jail. Five (5) other individuals were issued summonses for Visiting a Common Nuisance.

Officers seized approximately 90 cans of beer and 2 bottles of liquor, \$1,533 in US Currency and 12 unidentified tablets from the residence and detached garage.